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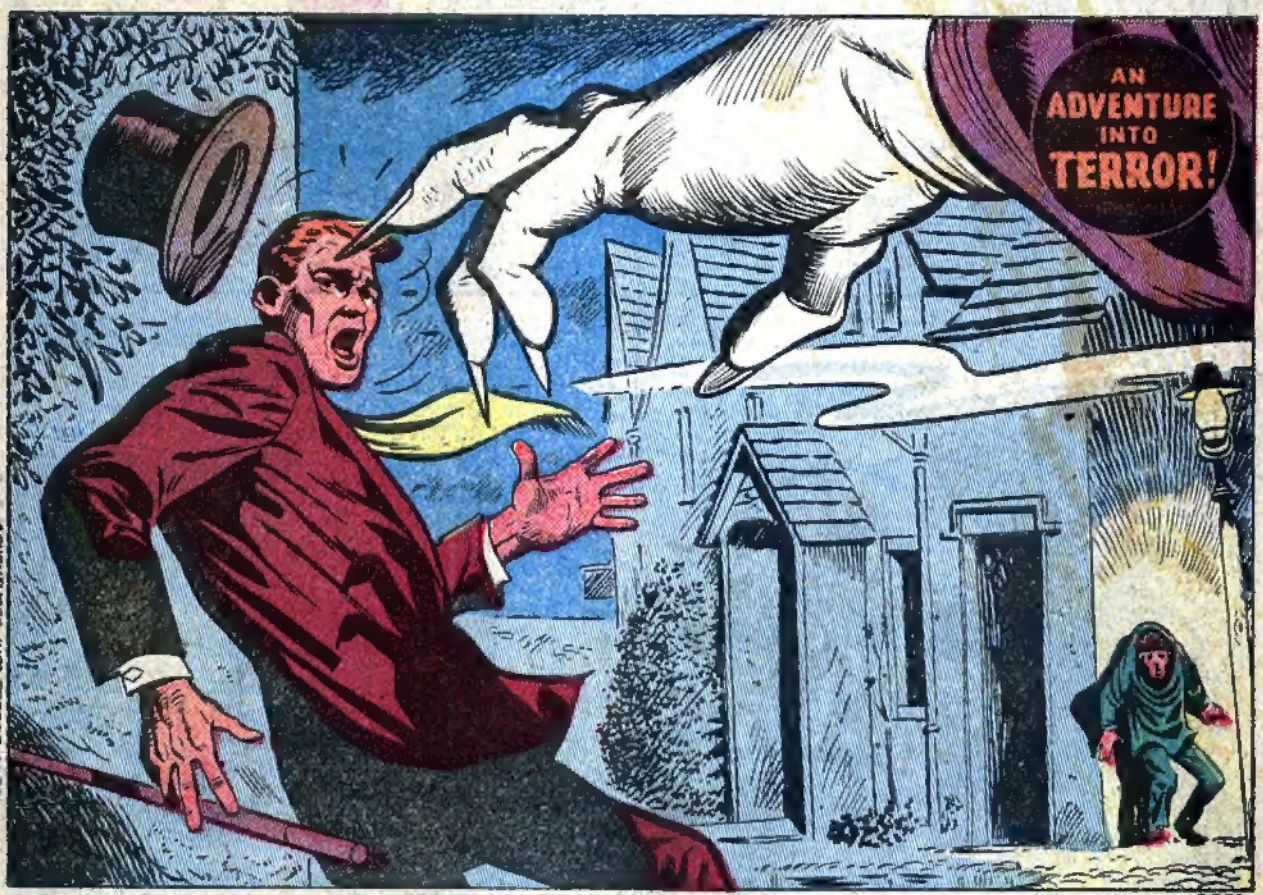
WHAT BETTER WAY TO BEGIN A MYSTERY MIXTURE THAN WITH A **VAMPIRE** TALE! SO FEAST YOUR OPTICS ON THIS WEIRDIE, KIDDIES, AS A CREEP NAMED **TOMMY** GETS AN AWFUL EYEFUL OF THE **VAMPIRE** AT WORK... TOMMY GETS AN IDEA... POOR TOMMY!

THE VAMPIRE-MAN



LOOK AT HIM...SO TALL AND STRAIGHT AND HANDSOME...AND THE VAMPIRE KNOCKS HIM OFF HIS FEET LIKE HE WAS A RAG DOLL!
AAAA
THE VAMPIRE'S GOT HIM BY THE THROAT NOW! THE VAMPIRE'S TEETH ARE SINKING IN.... DEEPER.... DEEPER! THE BLOKE'S **DEAD!**
GOOD! GOOD! **LET THEM ALL DIE THE SAME WAY...** ALL THE HANDSOME ONES WITH STRAIGHT BACKS WHO LOOK DOWN THEIR NOSES AT **TOM MALVERNE** WHEN THEY PASS IN THE STREET! I WISH **I** COULD KILL THEM ALL MYSELF!
I WISH I WAS A VAMPIRE!
ARGH!

LET US FOLLOW **TOM MALVERNE** AS HE LIMPS THRU THE THICK LONDON FOG CLOSE ON THE HEELS OF THE SATED VAMPIRE!

SO **THIS** IS HIS HIDEOUT...CHATHAM CEMETERY! THERE'S A TUNNEL BACK OF THAT STONE... AND HE'S GOING DOWN IT! NOW HE WOULDN'T HARM ME IF I FOLLOW... HE'D KNOW ME FOR A FRIEND!

I'M NOT A SPY! YOU'RE DEAD-WRONG, GUV'NOR, IF YOU THINK I'M AGAINST VAMPIRES! I'LL WAGER I **HATE** THE SCUM THAT CALLS THEMSELVES MORTAL PEOPLE MORE THAN ANYBODY HERE!

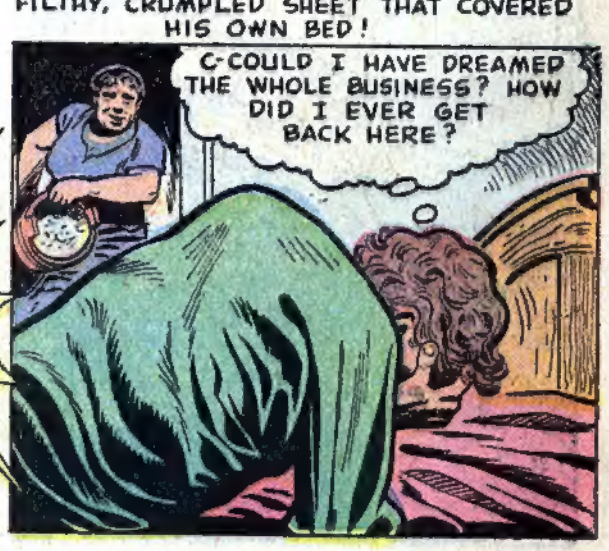
SEE THIS FACE OF MINE! SEE THIS HUMP ON MY BACK! WHAT DO I GET... SYMPATHY AND KINDNESS? **NO!** JUST JEERS AND BLOWS AND KICKS! I **HATE** MORTALS FOR WHAT THEY HAVE DONE TO ME! **I WANT TO BE A VAMPIRE MYSELF SO THAT I CAN HELP YOU KILL 'EM ALL!**

HE LIES! HE LIES! KILL HIM!
SILENCE! I WILL SPEAK!

WE NEED RECRUITS... AND AS I LOOK DEEP INTO YOUR EYES, I CAN SEE THAT YOU SPEAK THE TRUTH! BUT FOR THOSE NOT BORN WITH THE BLOOD LUST, TO BECOME A VAMPIRE IS DIFFICULT! I CAN GIVE YOU ONLY TILL THE EVE OF THE NEW YEAR!

IF BY THEN YOU HAVE NOT PARTAKEN OF MORTAL BLOOD, WE WILL COME TO DESTROY YOU!
I'LL DO IT, GUV'NOR, I'LL DO IT!

THERE WAS A SUDDEN BLINDING FLASH!
NOW GO!


...AND WHEN TOM MALVERNE'S EYES NEXT FLUTTERED OPEN, HE WAS LYING ON THE FILTHY, CRUMPLED SHEET THAT COVERED HIS OWN BED!
C-COULD I HAVE DREAMED THE WHOLE BUSINESS? HOW DID I EVER GET BACK HERE?

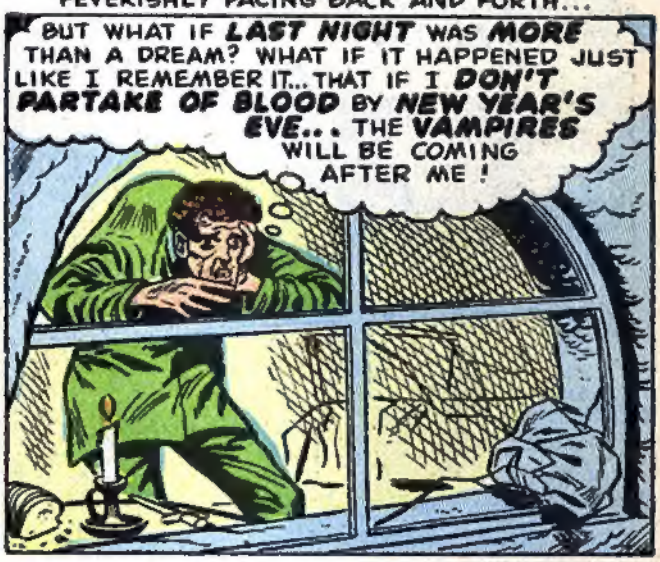
SASH!

IT'S SLOPS YOU'LL GET FULL IN THE FACE EVERY MORNING YOU SLEEP PAST YOUR TIME, TOM MALVERNE! GET MOVING! I RENT YOUR LODGINGS FOR THE NIGHT R ONLY! I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOUR MONKEY-FACE AROUND HERE IN THE LIGHT OF DAY!

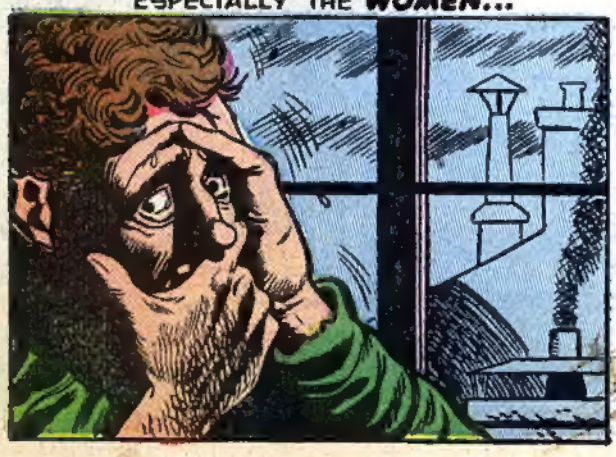
DREAM OR NOT... I'LL GIVE IT A GO! THAT CURSED LANDLADY'S GOIN' TO BE MY FIRST VICTIM!

SO LATE THAT NIGHT, WHEN THE LANDLADY LEFT THE HOUSE FOR HER REGULAR PINT OF ALE, TOM WAS WAITING.

AN HOUR LATER, TOM WAS BACK IN HIS ROOM, FEVERISHLY PACING BACK AND FORTH...


BUT WHAT IF LAST NIGHT WAS MORE THAN A DREAM? WHAT IF IT HAPPENED JUST LIKE I REMEMBER IT... THAT IF I DON'T PARTAKE OF BLOOD BY NEW YEAR'S EVE... THE VAMPIRES WILL BE COMING AFTER ME!

FEAR WAS PITTED AGAINST REVULSION INSIDE TOM MALVERNE! AND REVULSION MIGHT HAVE WON OUT, IF FEAR HADN'T HAD HATE ON ITS SIDE! HATE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ALWAYS SNEERED AT TOM'S UGLY FACE AND GROTESQUE BODY! ESPECIALLY THE WOMEN...

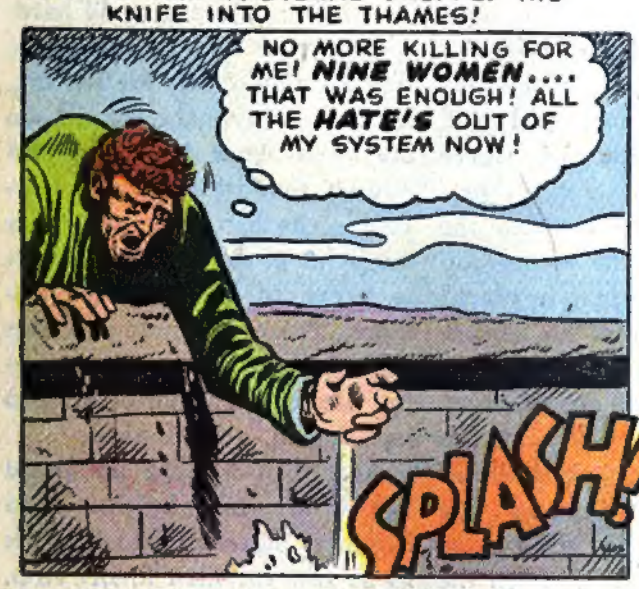


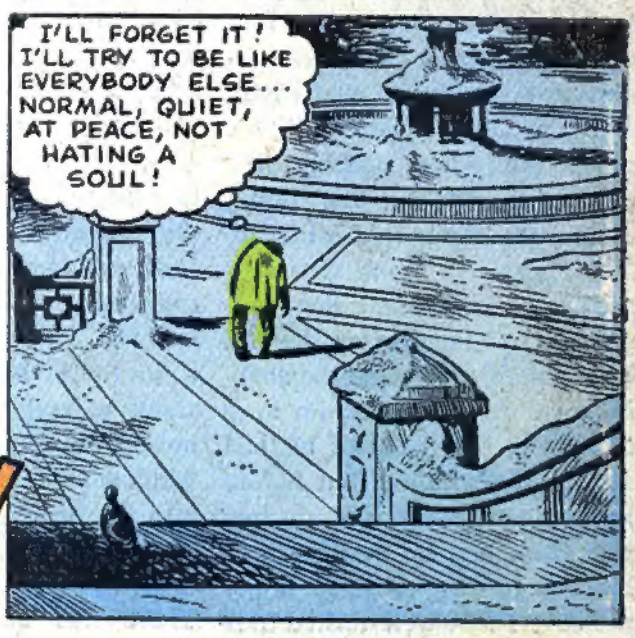
AND SO TOM HAD HIS LONG KNIFE SHARPENED AND HE CREPT OUT INTO THE NIGHT AGAIN...

AGAIN AND AGAIN HE STRUCK! HIS LONG KNIFE KEPT FLASHING IN THE MOONLIGHT! AND THEN TOM WOULD BEND DOWN... ONLY TO RECOIL IN DISGUST! **NINE WOMEN** HE KILLED, **NINE OF THEM**, BUT **NEVER ONCE** COULD HE BRING HIMSELF TO PARTAKE OF HUMAN BLOOD!

I CAN'T! AND TONIGHT'S **NEW YEAR'S EVE!** BUT MAYBE I HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT! THERE'S BEEN NO SIGN OF THE **VAMPIRES** ALL THIS TIME! MAYBE IT WAS A **DREAM** AFTER ALL! NOTHING ELSE.... JUST A DREAM!

AND SO TOM MALVERNE DROPPED HIS KNIFE INTO THE THAMES!





AT THAT MOMENT BIG BEN CHIMED.... **TWELVE!**

YES, **YOU** KNOW TOM MALVERNE! UNDER **ANOTHER** NAME, HE'S MADE YOU SHUDDER OFTEN... LISTEN CLOSELY TO THESE TWO SCOTLAND YARD DETECTIVES ENGAGED IN SHOP-TALK A FEW MONTHS AFTER BIG BEN CHIMED **TWELVE**...

I CAN'T SLEEP NIGHTS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THIS **JACK THE RIPPER!** HE KILLS **NINE WOMEN** INSIDE OF A YEAR FOR NO REASON WE CAN THINK OF! THEN, ALL OF A SUDDEN, HE **STOPS!** NOT ANOTHER PEEP OUT OF HIM! JUST AS IF HE'S **VANISHED** OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH!
LET'S NOT WORRY ABOUT **THE RIPPER!** THERE'S THE CASE OF **TOM MALVERNE**... THE HUNCH-BACK WHO WAS **MURDERED ON NEW YEAR'S EVE!** WHAT **I** WANT TO KNOW IS... **WHO KILLED HIM?**
THE END

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THE BLACK BOX—

THERE . . . it was happening again.

Steve Parker quickly sat up in bed, and his eye followed the shadow that moved against the curtains and climbed up the fire escape outside his bedroom window. The shadow seemed to be that of a great hulk of a man, and Steve had followed the strange actions of that shadow every night for a week. The first time it happened, Steve felt certain that the person was surely going to try to break into his room, but when nothing like that happened the first night, nor on the nights that followed, Steve began to think that perhaps he was imagining these episodes. The night before, he had been able to overcome the shaking fear that gripped him long enough to climb out of his bed and to the window, but before he could open it, the shadow was gone, and he went back to his bed, trying to sleep under the covers that were tucked over his head.

"Good gosh . . . I MUST be imagining the whole thing," he muttered to himself as the shadow again appeared, climbed upward, and then vanished once more. "Maybe it's only a shadow of a tree or something like that."

He hoped against hope, somehow sensing that it wasn't his imagination playing tricks on him, but that something weird was happening outside his window.

One night, Steve decided to sit up in his room, so he could look out the window, and perhaps find out exactly what was going on. It usually happened at about eleven thirty, and it was ten o'clock when he settled down in the easy chair with the evening papers. He found it hard to read, however, and when he tried to smoke and quiet his jumpy nerves, he found that the cigarette would only shake in his hands, and that he was too nervous to even light it. By ten forty-five, he began to get drowsy, so he made himself a cup of strong coffee and tried to balance it on his knee, where the cup and saucer shook precariously until he finished the coffee. He took the empty cup into the kitchen where he placed it in the sink, and as he was about to turn on the water, a noise from outside the bedroom window made him jump. He ran into the bedroom and stationed himself at the window. He looked out onto the fire escape. There was nothing. Then he looked upward.

He gasped as he saw what on previous nights had been only a mysterious shadow, and which now looked like the form of a man, who carried a box under his arm. The man was climbing up the fire escape, and Steve decided that he was going to keep the man company.

He quietly opened the window and carefully climbed out to the fire escape. He looked down five storys below and began to feel weak, but he steadied himself on the rail and began his upward climb. He reached the sixth floor and looked up. The man was nearing the top floor, and Steve prepared to follow him to the roof and trap him. But his eyes popped as he trailed the man . . . for he did not stop climbing at the top floor . . . but contiued upward . . . upward on the fire escape that seemed to be growing higher and higher ahead of him. Steve could hardly believe his eyes, he choked so, that he almost lost his footing, so he quickly concentrated on the steps above him, and told himself that whatever was happening, he had to know! Soon the lights of the apartment houses began to fade into the distance. There was only the man with the black box, and a growing fire escape ahead of him, so he climbed, and climbed.

And then a light up ahead began to grow brighter and brighter. Steve blinked his eyes as he saw the man finally stop, step from the fire escape, and walk into the bright light. Steve was puffing when he reached the top, but before he could catch his breath and marvel at the sight before him, someone grabbed his arms and began to pull. He turned, and faced another man.

"Wh-what's happening to me? What's going on? W-where am I?" shouted Steve as an uncomfortable feeling in the pit of his stomach overtook him.

Without answering, the man dragged Steve along a carpeted

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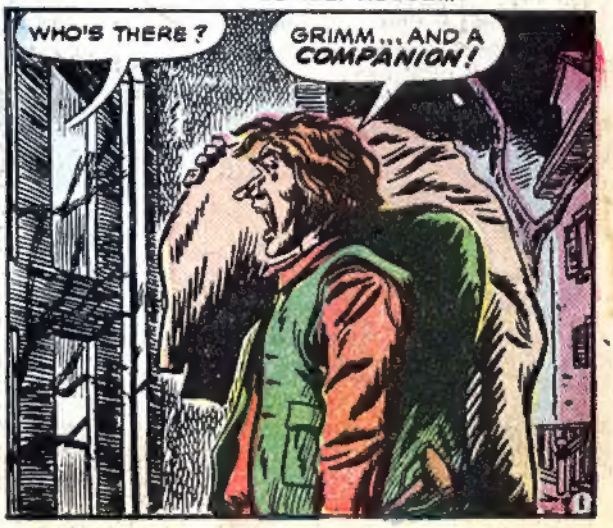
FROM OUT OF THE... GRAVE!

IT IS SEVENTEENTH CENTURY ENGLAND, AND FLETCHER GRIMM DOES NOT SPEAK IN JEST, FOR VIVISECTION OF THE DEAD IS FORBIDDEN AND IF THE DOCTORS AND MEDICAL STUDENTS WISH A CORPSE TO PRACTICE ON, IT MUST BE STOLEN FROM THE GRAVE...

HIS LURID PRIZE WRAPPED IN A SHEET, GRIMM STEALS DOWN THE BACK ALLEYS OF LONDON TO A LONELY HOUSE...

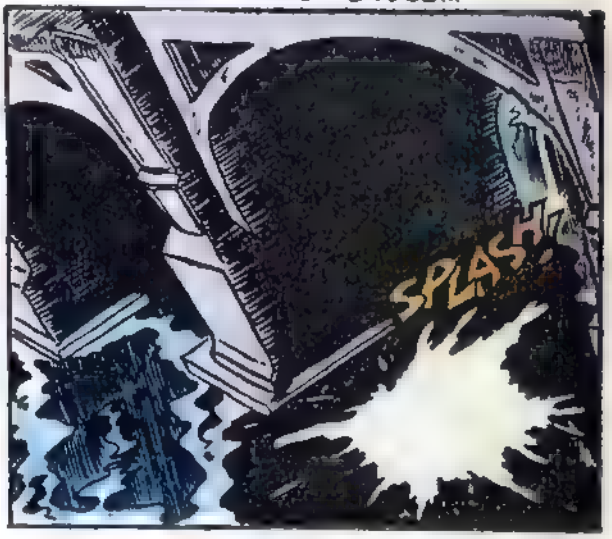


DOCTORS, A PERFECT CORPSE... PUTREFACTION HASN'T EVEN SET IN!
EXCELLENT! THE BODY HAS A WELL-DEVELOPED CHEST! TONIGHT WE WILL STUDY THE PECTORAL MUSCLE SYSTEM!

FIRST, GENTLEMEN, BEFORE YOU BECOME ENGROSSED IN DEEP MEDICAL PROBLEMS... MY FEE!
YOUR FIVE POUNDS, GRIMM! THERE ARE MORE AND MORE MEN STUDYING VIVISECTION... KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

OBSERVE, GENTLEMEN, I MAKE THE FIRST CUT, REVEALING THE OUTER MUSCLE FIBERS...
OBSERVE, GRIMM, THERE ARE MORE BODIES IN GRAVES THAN FIVE POUND FEES IN DOCTORS' POCKETS! YOU'LL BE A RICH MAN YET!

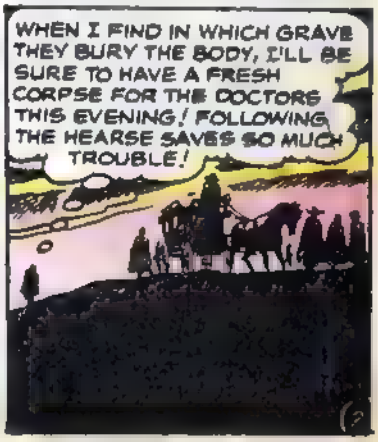
AND WHEN THE DOCTORS' EXPERIMENTAL CUTS AND PROBING ARE FINISHED, THE BODY IS PLACED BACK IN ITS SHEET AND DISPOSED OF FROM LONDON BRIDGE...



WITH GHOULISH REGULARITY, GRIMM'S SHOVEL VIOLATES THE GRAVES...

AND BEFORE THE FIRST LIGHT OF DAWN, MUTILATED CORPES ARE DUMPED INTO THEIR NEW GRAVE, A WATERY ONE THAT FLOATS THEM TO THE OCEAN AND OBLIVION...

BEHIND EACH FUNERAL PROCESSION, A SILENT, UNNOTICED FIGURE FOLLOWS! NOT MOURNING, BUT GREED PROMPTS HIS SLOW STEPS...


WHEN I FIND IN WHICH GRAVE THEY BURY THE BODY, I'LL BE SURE TO HAVE A FRESH CORPSE FOR THE DOCTORS THIS EVENING! FOLLOWING THE HEARSE SAVES SO MUCH TROUBLE!

THE CORPSE DELIVERIES CONTINUE AND GRIMM'S ILL-GOTTEN GAINS INCREASE, AS HE COUNTS HIS GOLD IN HIS RAT-INFESTED HOVEL...

JUST THREE MORE CORPSES AND I'LL HAVE AN EVEN THOUSAND POUNDS! THEN I'LL RETIRE! WELL, IT'S TIME TO PAY A BUSINESS CALL TO THE GRAVEYARD!

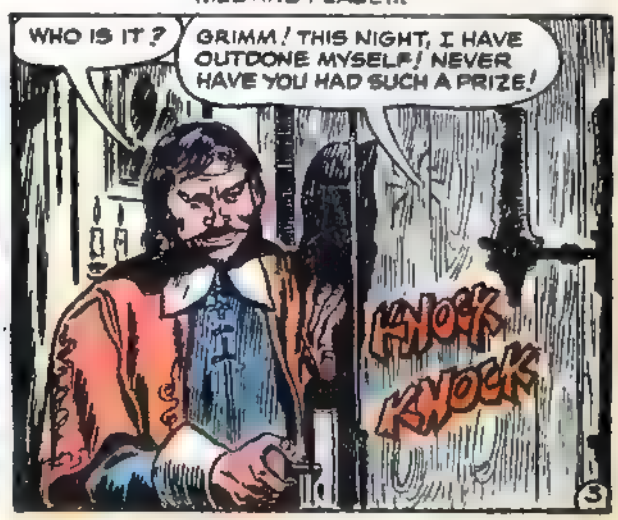
WITH PRACTICED SPEED, GRIMM UNEARTHS A BODY, BUT AS HE LIFTS THE COLD, RIGID, CLAMMY CORPSE FROM ITS COFFIN, SUDDENLY...

AND WITH A SUDDEN SHOVE, GRIMM HEAVES THE CORPSE AT THE STARTLED GUARD!

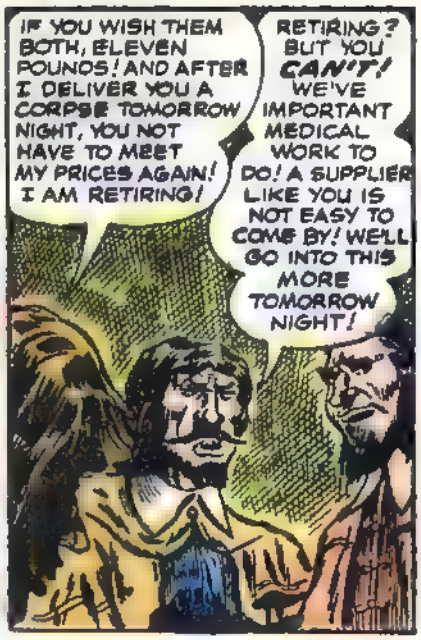
AS THE GUARD SHRINKS BACK FROM THE LOATHFUL HORROR, GRIMM SPRINGS...

AND BEFORE THE GUARD CAN CRY OUT FOR HELP, GRIMM'S POWERFUL HANDS TIGHTEN ABOUT HIS THROAT, AND IN THE SHADOW OF THE GRAVE, DEATH CLAIMS ANOTHER VICTIM!

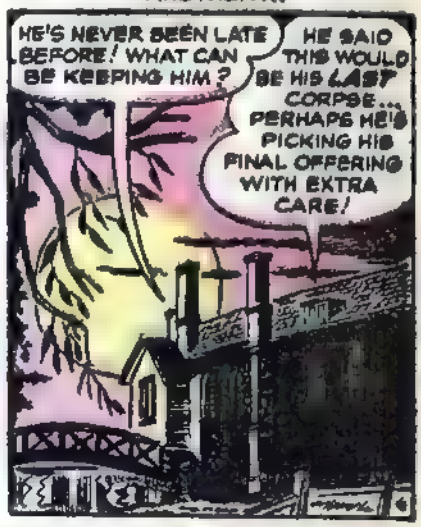
SOON, A FURTIVE KNOCK IS HEARD AT THE DOCTORS' MEETING PLACE...



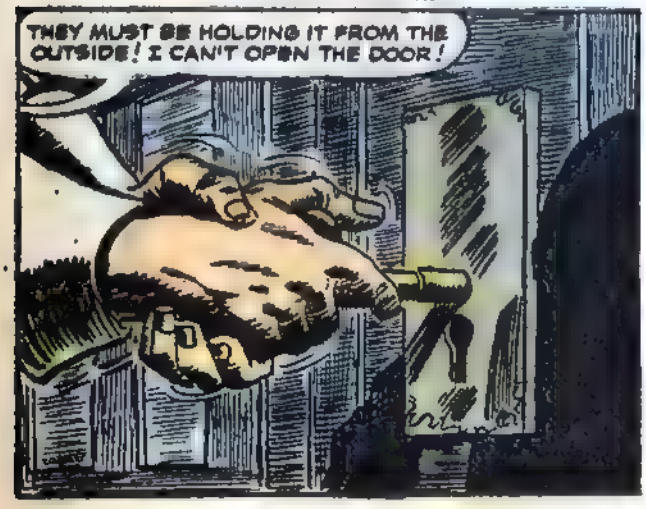
YOU'VE NEVER HAD SO RECENTLY DEAD A BODY AS THIS GUARD! FOR HIM I DEMAND AN EXTRA POUND!
GRIMM, YOUR PRICE FOR A CORPSE IS HIGH ENOUGH ALREADY!


IF YOU WISH THEM BOTH, ELEVEN POUNDS! AND AFTER I DELIVER YOU A CORPSE TOMORROW NIGHT, YOU NOT HAVE TO MEET MY PRICES AGAIN! I AM RETIRING!
RETIRING? BUT YOU CAN'T! WE'VE IMPORTANT MEDICAL WORK TO DO! A SUPPLIER LIKE YOU IS NOT EASY TO COME BY! WE'LL GO INTO THIS MORE TOMORROW NIGHT!

THE NEXT NIGHT, THE DOCTORS AND THEIR STUDENTS AWAIT GRIMM'S ARRIVAL, BUT THE ACCUSTOMED HOUR PASSES BY, AND THEN ANOTHER ...


HE'S NEVER BEEN LATE BEFORE! WHAT CAN BE KEEPING HIM?
HE SAID THIS WOULD BE HIS LAST CORPSE... PERHAPS HE'S PICKING HIS FINAL OFFERING WITH EXTRA CARE!

THE THREE SHADOWY FIGURES NEITHER TURN AROUND NOR SPEAK, BUT SILENTLY GO OUT THE BACK DOOR...



THE BACK EXPOSED, THE INSTRUCTOR PAUSES, SCALPEL IN HAND, AS THE MEDICAL STUDENTS WATCH HIM PREPARE TO MAKE THE FIRST INCISION...

DEFTLY, HE SPLITS THE SKIN, AND THEN HIS FACE BLANCHES IN UTTER TERROR...

AS BLOOD SPURTS FROM AN OPEN ARTERY, THE DOCTORS TRY IN VAIN TO STOP THE LIFE-EBBING FLOW!

WITH TREMBLING HANDS A DOCTOR TURNS OVER THE MURDERED CORPSE...

AND OUTSIDE, THREE SILENT FIGURES GLIDE AWAY, A SMILE OF VENGEANCE ON THE FACES OF THEIR VIVISECTED, MUTILATED BODIES!

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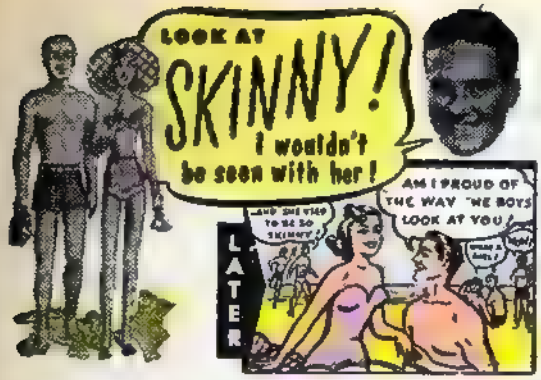

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hallway, through the strange buildings that comprised this new world above the earth. Steve was brought before a man who was dressed in a shimmering satin cape, and who wore a great red cap that almost covered his grizzly-looking face. The man was addressing him.

"Welcome to the planet of Nor. You fell in with my plans exactly as I knew you would. You followed Gara, and now I will tell you what is happening to you. First of all, you may have wondered what Gara carries in his box. Perhaps you would care to look."

Steve peered into the box that was being opened before his eyes. "Bugs!" he cried, "ordinary bugs. Worms, ants, caterpillars . . . just . . . BUGS."

The red-caped man continued. "To you, they are bugs. To me, they are but slaves to my wishes, to my plans. You see, Steve Parker, my henchmen each day are sent down to your earth, and return here just as you saw, with insects, again at night. The action of these men invariably provoke the interest of other earthlings, who in turn follow and come up to me, becoming henchmen themselves."

Steve was puzzled. "B-but why? Why do you want these . . . these bugs?"

"Stupid, ignorant Earth being. We of Nor are experimenting with these insects. And some day very soon the very same insects that you Earth beings step on, maim, torture thoughtlessly every day, will be transformed into monsters of inconceivable size. Then, on that one great day, will I collect my army of one-time insects, and we will march down to your E a r t h, where we will destroy everything . . . everyone!"

Steve, still shaking, saw the Ruler of Nor turn away from his visitor from earth and look at the caged insects with sheer delight. Steve looked out of the corner of his eye, and thought, "And that's all I'll be, Nor, or whatever your name may be, just a VISITOR." With that he turned and tore down along the same carpeted hallway, and just as the shouts of the men behind him came dangerously loud, he reached the steps of the fire escape and half-stumbled down, down, down. After what seemed an hour, the apartment house lights became visible, and in a short while, Steve stood, breathless outside the window of his bedroom. He quickly leaped inside, and dashed for the telephone. He dialed a number and anxiously wiped his forehead. He heard a click.

"Hello! Hello . . . listen to me . . . I've got a terrible warning that you must print in the next edition . . . I . . . I . . . what? Hello . . ."

"Yes, Steve, I hear you. Why don't you come back? You left the little box behind . . .

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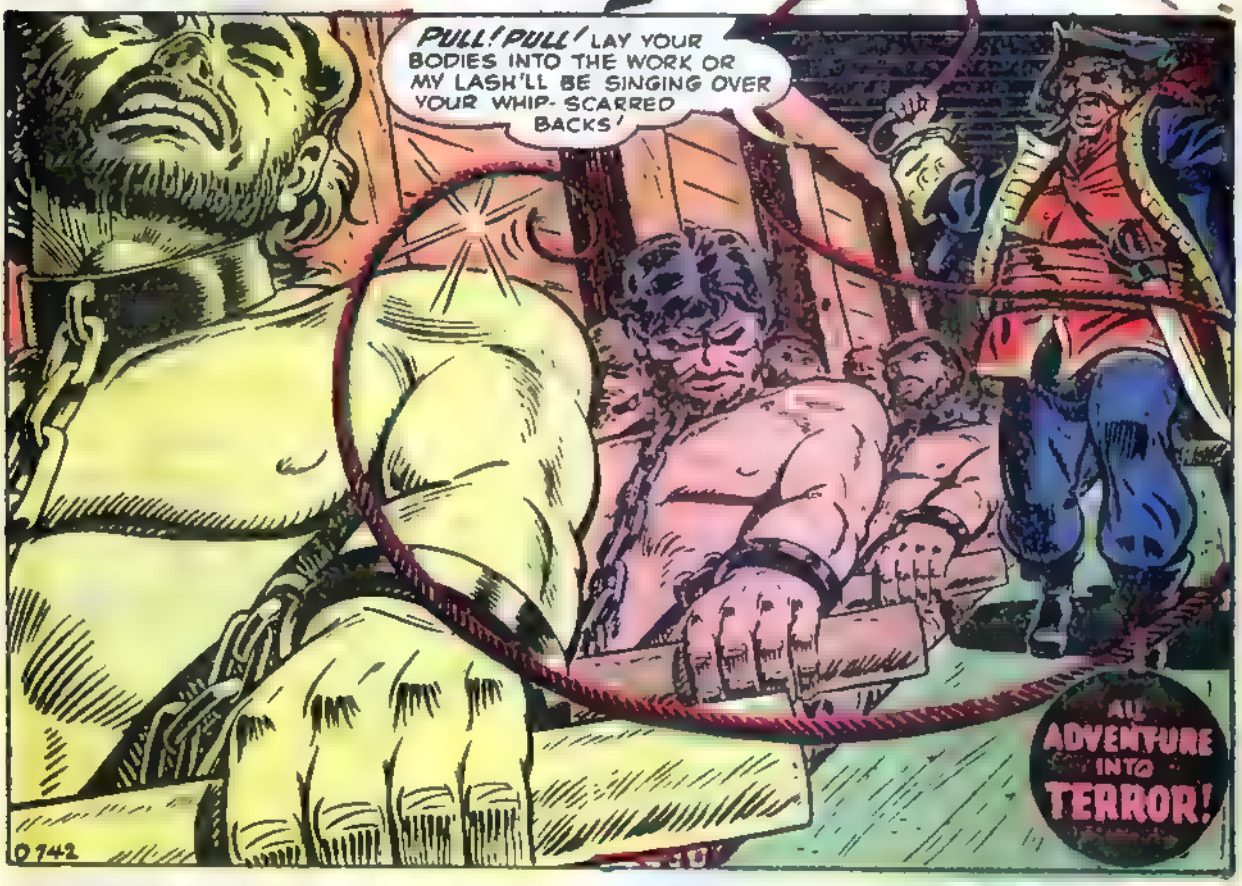
THE MAN WHO WALKED THE PLANK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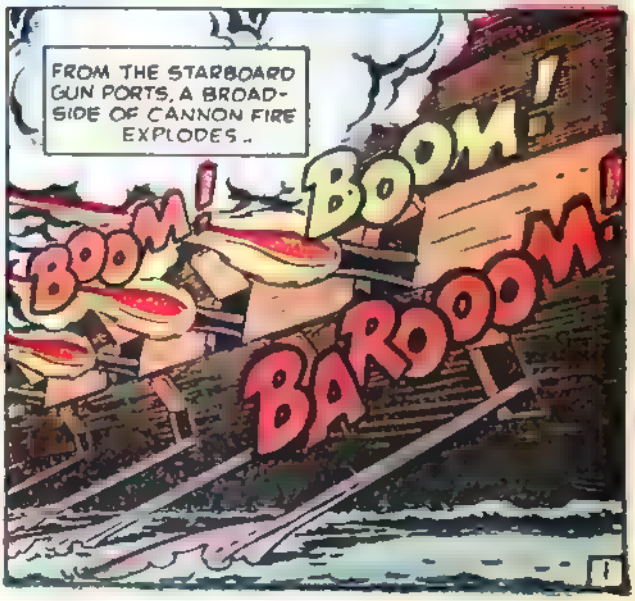
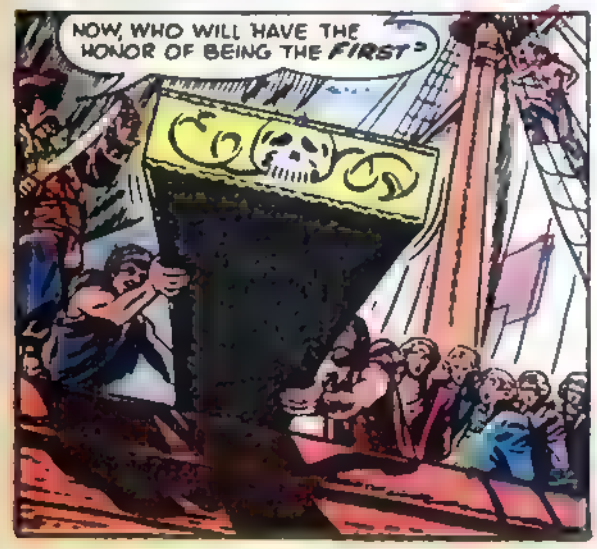
THE CHAINED GALLEY SLAVES TUG ON THEIR OARS AS THE PIRATE SHIP GLIDES SWIFTLY ACROSS THE CALM, BREEZELESS OCEAN...

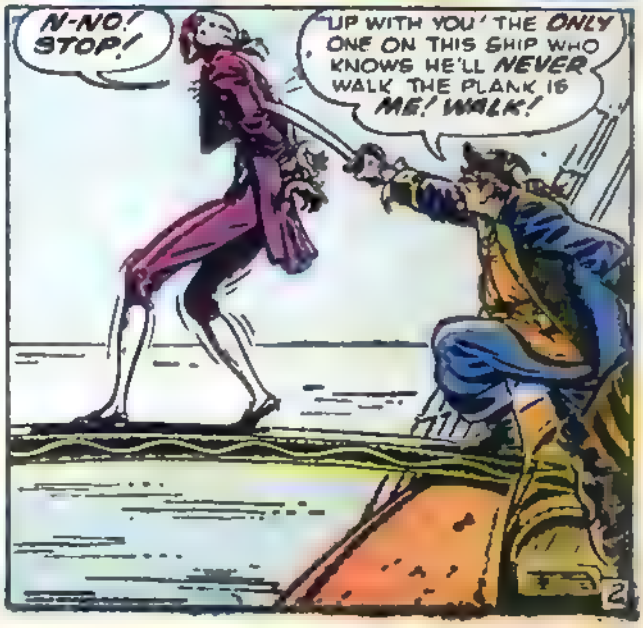


RIGGING AND TIMBER CRASH IN WILD CONFUSION, AS THE HAIL OF CANNON BALLS BOOMS ON.

A FEW COWERING SURVIVORS ARE HERDED ONTO THE PIRATE SHIP FOR THE CAPTAIN'S MERCILESS PLEASURE..

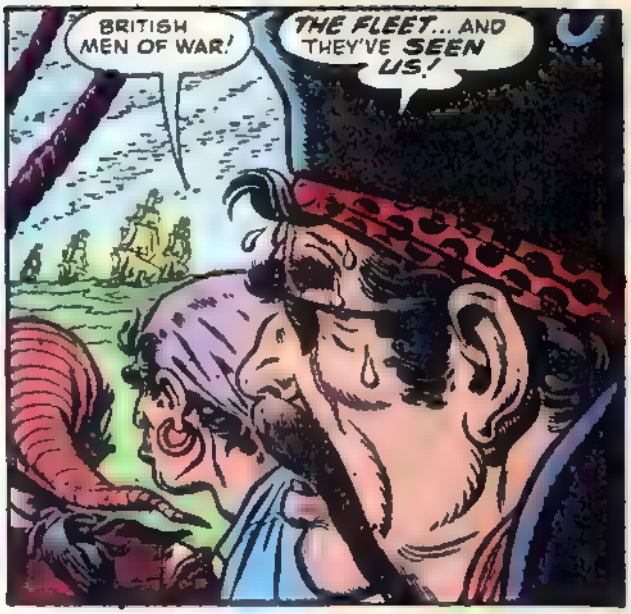
FROM THE SHIP'S RAIL, OVER THE SALTY DEPTHS BELOW, AN ELABORATELY CARVED PLANK IS PUSHED FORWARD.. A ONE-WAY PASSAGE TO A WATERY GRAVE...



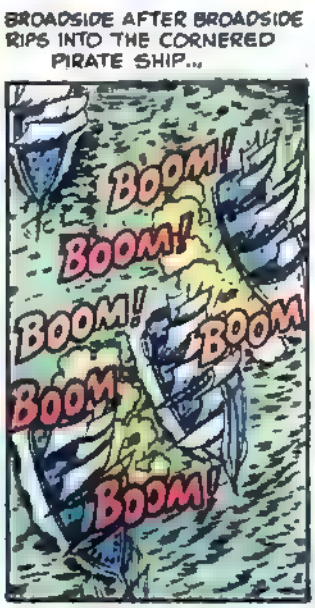


WITH THE PRODDING OF THE PIRATE CAPTAIN'S SWORD POINT URGING HIM ON, THE LUCKLESS CAPTIVE TREMBLINGLY ADVANCES DOWN THE LETHAL PLANK..
AS IF WAITING WITH KNOWING CERTAINTY, A SCHOOL OF SAVAGE SHARKS SWARM AROUND THE HELPLESS VICTIM
LET'S SEE IF THE SHARKS'LL LEAVE THE SKINNY FELLOW FOR THIS FAT MORSEL ! WALK!
HALF AN HOUR LATER, AS THE PIRATE SHIP SAILS OFF, A BLOODY PATH REDDENS THE OCEAN'S SURFACE...
DOWN THE ENGLISH COAST, THE PIRATE SHIP STRIKES TERROR, ITS CANNONS ROARING DEATH..
AND ITS PLANK IS EVER ECHOING THE HESITANT, FINAL STEPS OF THE DOOMED CAPTIVES...
HA! OVER WITH HIM! INTO THE BRINY DEEP!

TWO DAYS LATER, AS THE MORNING FOG LIFTS, THE LOOKOUT'S VOICE RINGS CLEAR..
SAIL HO!

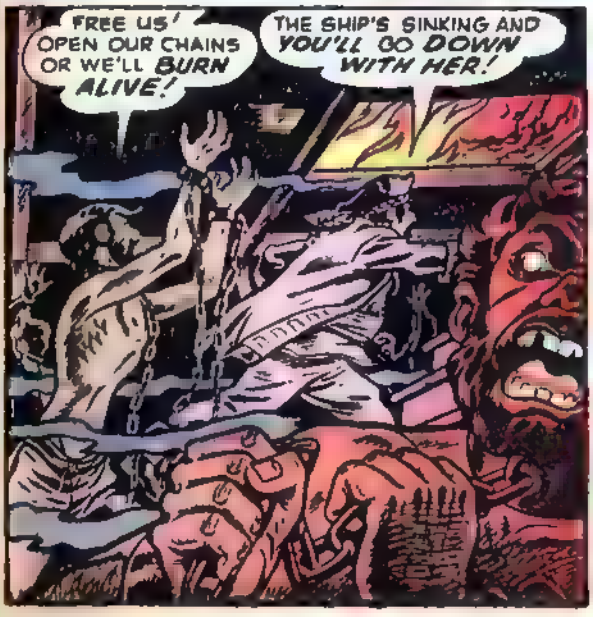

BRITISH MEN OF WAR!
THE FLEET... AND THEY'VE SEEN US!

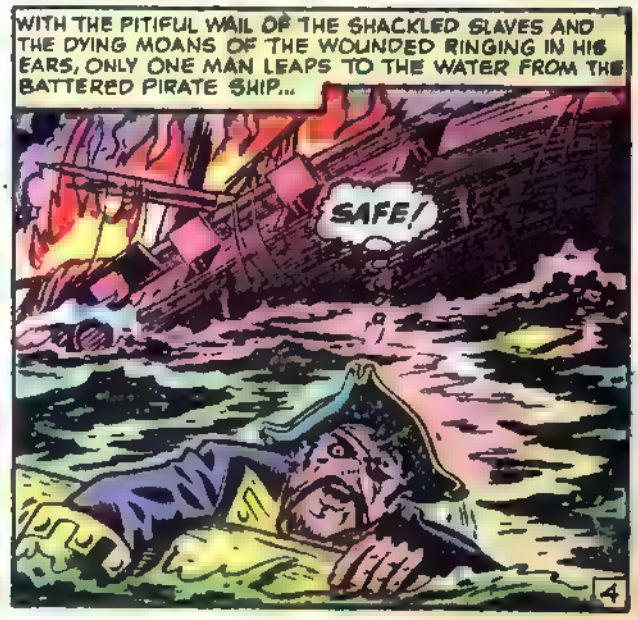
THE PIRATE SHIP SWINGS ABOUT, BUT THE FASTER BRITISH WARSHIPS GAIN IN THE GRIM, STERN CHASE..

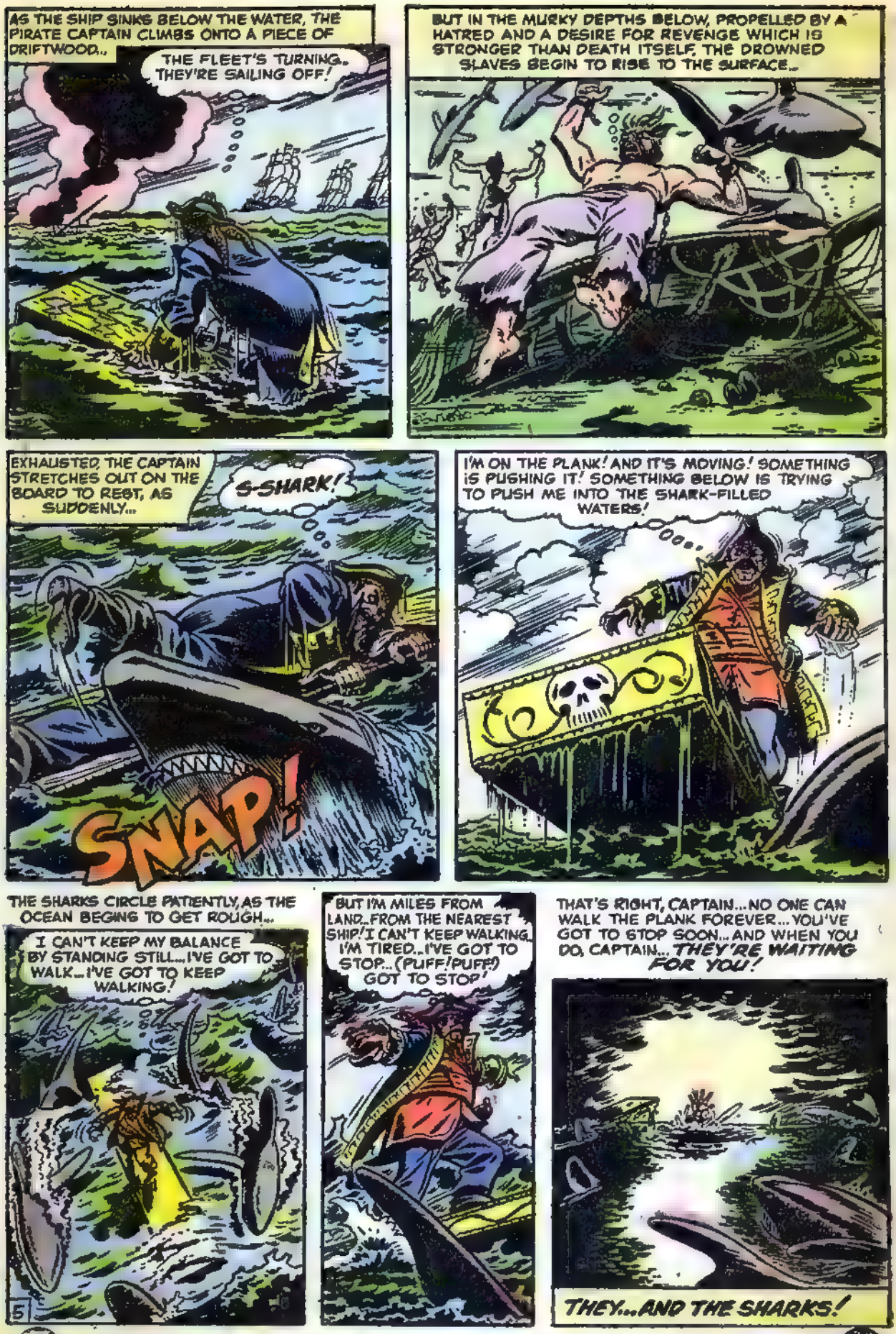

BROADSIDE AFTER BROADSIDE RIPS INTO THE CORNERED PIRATE SHIP...
BOOM!
BOOM!
BOOM!
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM!

RIGGING AND MASTS FALL IN A MAD RAIN OF DESTRUCTION..

AND THE HEATED CANNON BALLS, SHOT BY THE FLEET, SET THE PAINTED PIRATE DECKS ABLAZE...


FREE US! OPEN OUR CHAINS OR WE'LL BURN ALIVE!
THE SHIP'S SINKING AND YOU'LL GO DOWN WITH HER!


WITH THE PITIFUL WAIL OF THE SHACKLED SLAVES AND THE DYING MOANS OF THE WOUNDED RINGING IN HIS EARS, ONLY ONE MAN LEAPS TO THE WATER FROM THE BATTERED PIRATE SHIP...
SAFE!


AS THE SHIP SINKS BELOW THE WATER, THE PIRATE CAPTAIN CLIMBS ONTO A PIECE OF DRIFTWOOD..
THE FLEET'S TURNING.. THEY'RE SAILING OFF!
BUT IN THE MURKY DEPTHS BELOW, PROPELLED BY A HATRED AND A DESIRE FOR REVENGE WHICH IS STRONGER THAN DEATH ITSELF, THE DROWNED SLAVES BEGIN TO RISE TO THE SURFACE..
EXHAUSTED, THE CAPTAIN STRETCHES OUT ON THE BOARD TO REST, AS SUDDENLY...
S-SHARK!
SNAP!
I'M ON THE PLANK! AND IT'S MOVING! SOMETHING IS PUSHING IT! SOMETHING BELOW IS TRYING TO PUSH ME INTO THE SHARK-FILLED WATERS!
THE SHARKS CIRCLE PATIENTLY, AS THE OCEAN BEGINS TO GET ROUGH..
I CAN'T KEEP MY BALANCE BY STANDING STILL... I'VE GOT TO WALK... I'VE GOT TO KEEP WALKING!
BUT I'M MILES FROM LAND.. FROM THE NEAREST SHIP! I CAN'T KEEP WALKING. I'M TIRED.. I'VE GOT TO STOP.. (PUFF! PUFF!) GOT TO STOP!
THAT'S RIGHT, CAPTAIN... NO ONE CAN WALK THE PLANK FOREVER... YOU'VE GOT TO STOP SOON.. AND WHEN YOU DO, CAPTAIN... THEY'RE WAITING FOR YOU!
THEY... AND THE SHARKS!
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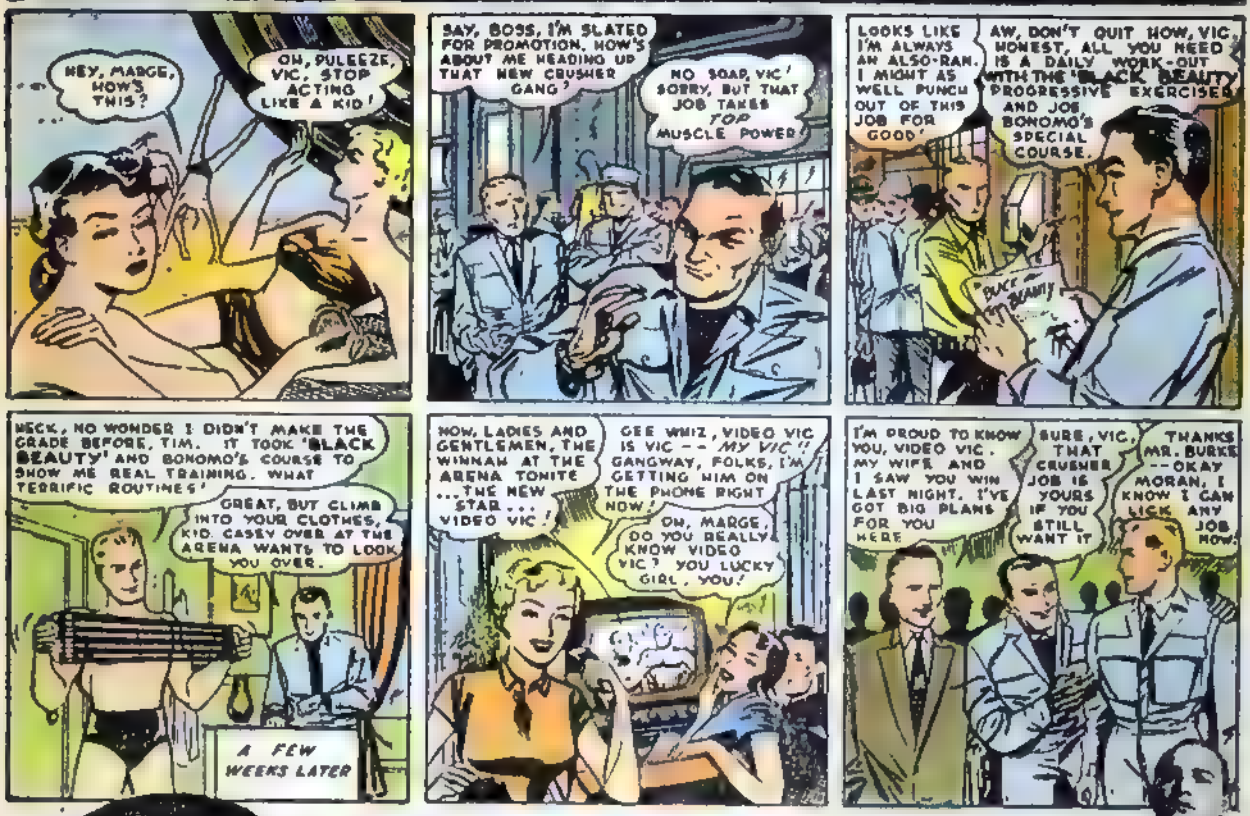
HEY, MARGE, HOW'S THIS?
OH, PULEEZE, VIC, STOP ACTING LIKE A KID!
SAY, BOSS, I'M SLATED FOR PROMOTION, HOW'S ABOUT ME HEADING UP THAT NEW CRUSHER GANG?
NO SOAP, VIC! SORRY, BUT THAT JOB TAKES TOP MUSCLE POWER
LOOKS LIKE I'M ALWAYS AN ALSO-RAN. I MIGHT AS WELL PUNCH OUT OF THIS JOB FOR GOOD!
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HECK, NO WONDER I DIDN'T MAKE THE GRADE BEFORE, TIM. IT TOOK "BLACK BEAUTY" AND BONOMO'S COURSE TO SHOW ME REAL TRAINING. WHAT TERRIFIC ROUTINES!
GREAT, BUT CLIMB INTO YOUR CLOTHES, KID. CASEY OVER AT THE ARENA WANTS TO LOOK YOU OVER.
A FEW WEEKS LATER
NOW, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE WINNAH AT THE ARENA TONITE ... THE NEW STAR ... VIDEO VIC!
GEE WHIZ, VIDEO VIC IS VIC -- MY VIC!! GANGWAY, FOLKS, I'M GETTING HIM ON THE PHONE RIGHT NOW!
OH, MARGE, DO YOU REALLY KNOW VIDEO VIC? YOU LUCKY GIRL, YOU!
I'M PROUD TO KNOW YOU, VIDEO VIC. MY WIFE AND I SAW YOU WIN LAST NIGHT. I'VE GOT BIG PLANS FOR YOU HERE
SURE, VIC, THAT CRUSHER JOB IS YOURS IF YOU STILL WANT IT
THANKS MR. BURKE -- OKAY MORAN, I KNOW I CAN LICK ANY JOB NOW.

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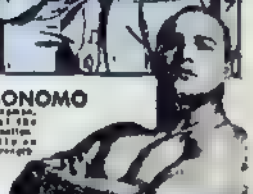

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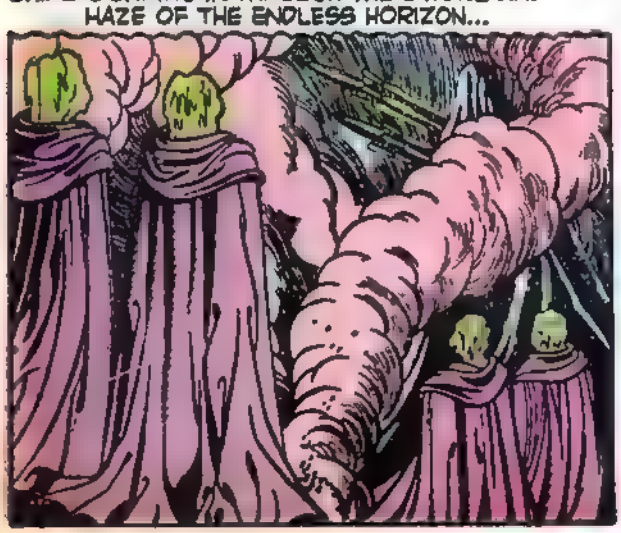
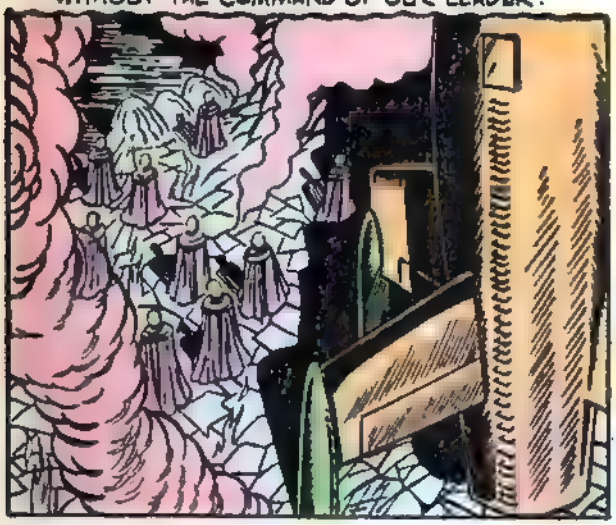
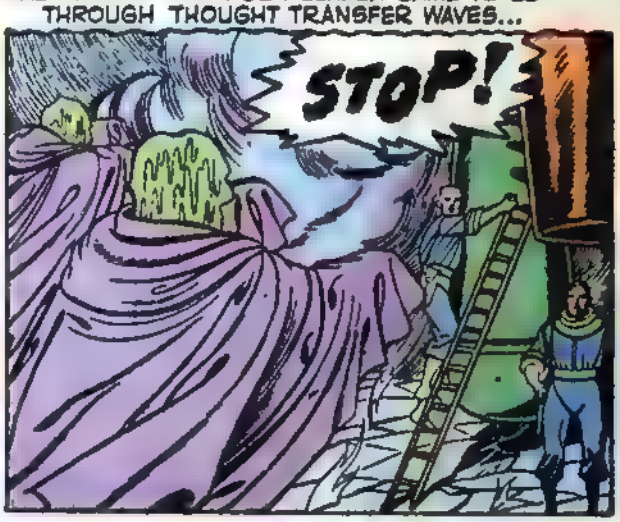


CLOSER AND CLOSER! NOW WE COULD HEAR THE POWERFUL BLASTS OF THEIR MOTORS, SEE THE BRIGHT COLORS OF THE SHIPS! AND WE WAITED, CONFUSED AND A LITTLE WORRIED! THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME...

THEY CAME DOWN ON LEVEL Z, THE SHIPS GLIDING SMOOTHLY AND EFFORTLESSLY! AND ALL WE COULD DO WAS WATCH, FOR WE WERE HELPLESS TO ACT WITHOUT THE COMMAND OF OUR LEADER!



THEN WE SAW THEM COME OUT... AND WE ALMOST SCREAMED WITH DISGUST AND HORROR AT THE SIGHT OF THEM! WE TENSED FOR THE ATTACK, BUT THE ORDERS FROM OUR LEADER CAME TO US THROUGH THOUGHT TRANSFER WAVES...

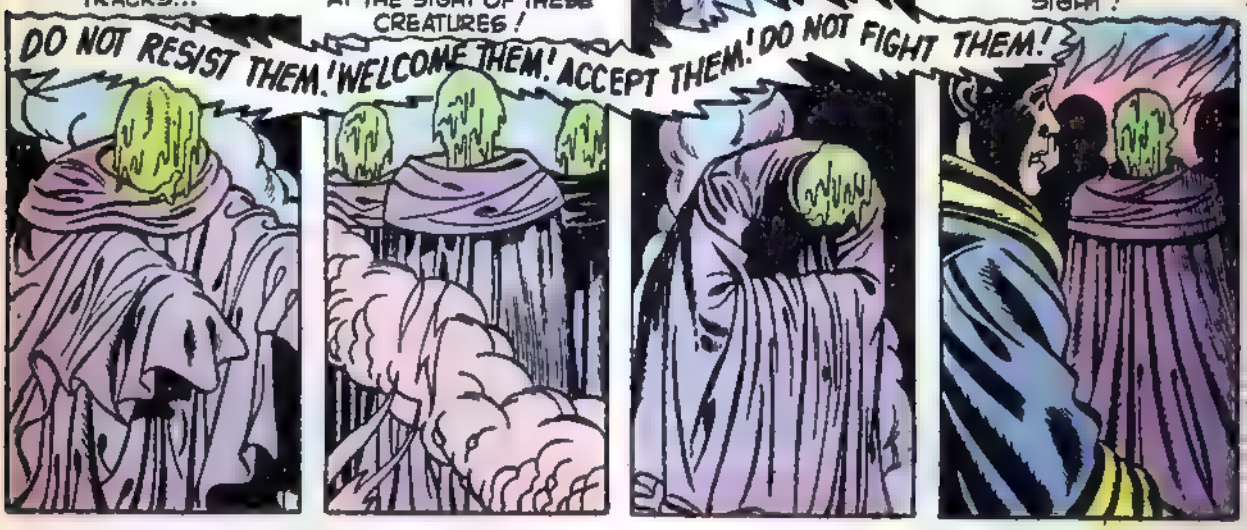


THE COMMAND HIT OUR BRAINS ALL AT ONCE AND WE STOPPED IN OUR TRACKS...

WE COULD DO NOTHING, BUT OBEY, NO MATTER HOW WE WERE REVOLTED AT THE SIGHT OF THESE CREATURES!

OUR LEADER'S WORD WAS LAW!

SO WE OBEYED... BUT WHAT A SIGHT WE SAW... WHAT AN UGLY, REVOLTING SIGHT!



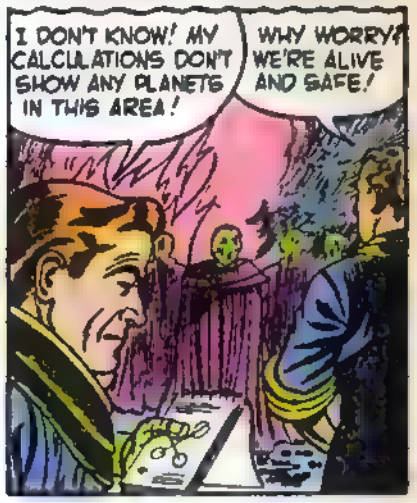
THEIR HEADS WERE THE SAME SHAPE AS OURS... BUT *THEY* HAD *FACES!* THEIR HEADS HAD UGLY HOLES AND PROTRUDING OBJECTS ON THEM! EYES, MOUTH, NOSES, EARS, THEY CALLED THEM!

WE COULD TELL ALL THIS BECAUSE WE COULD READ THEIR THOUGHTS... WE COULD ALWAYS READ THE THOUGHTS OF THE HUMANS OF EARTH, AS WE COULD THOSE OF OUR LEADER...

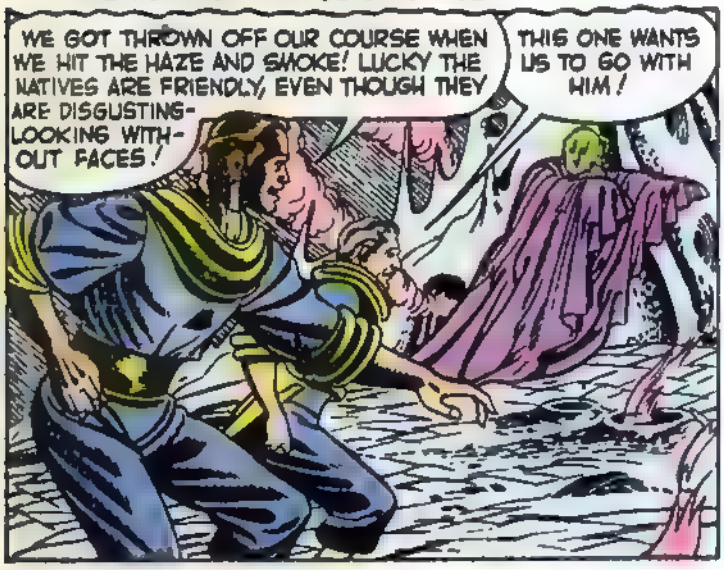
STRANGER THAN ANYTHING ELSE, THEY LOOKED AT US WITH REVULSION AS IF *WE* WERE THE UGLY ONES...

WHAT THEY DIDN'T KNOW WAS THAT *WE* HAD *FACES* TOO... BUT THEY WERE HANDSOME FACES EXACTLY LIKE THAT OF OUR LEADER!

BUT OUR FACES COULD BE SEEN ONLY UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, DEEP IN OUR ABODES WHERE WE ALWAYS WERE. OUT HERE IN THE OPEN WE WERE THE FACELESS ONES!



SO WE OBEYED THE LAW OF OUR LEADER, AND WELCOMED THE VISITORS FROM OUTER SPACE...


WE GOT THROWN OFF OUR COURSE WHEN WE HIT THE HAZE AND SMOKE! LUCKY THE NATIVES ARE FRIENDLY, EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE DISGUSTING-LOOKING WITHOUT FACES!
THIS ONE WANTS US TO GO WITH HIM!

WE ESCORTED THEM ACROSS THE OUTER LEVELS, PAST THE CRAGS AND SMOKING HOLES! THE HUMANS WERE CHEERFUL AND HAPPY! THEY TALKED AMONG THEMSELVES...

THEY SAID WE WERE FOOLISH TO TRY... BUT WE CAME THROUGH...THE FIRST SPACE SHIP FLIGHT AND A SUCCESSFUL ONE!
MAN HAS COME FAR! SOON WE'LL CONQUER THE UNIVERSE!

WE COULD READ THEIR THOUGHTS, BUT THEY DIDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE TO US!

THEY FOLLOWED US DOWN INTO THE CAVERNS, PAST THE WALLS OF PITCH AND LAVA, DEEP...DEEP...

AND THEY DIDN'T SEEM A BIT WORRIED! THEY WERE BRAVE, THESE HUMANS, EVEN IF THEY WERE STUPID!

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GOOD GRIEF, JIM! LOOK! I CAN SEE THEIR FACES NOW!
NO! NO! N-O-O-O-O!
YES, THEY COULD SEE OUR FACES...BY THE LIGHT OF THE GREAT FIRES! THAT WAS THE ONLY TIME OUR FEATURES COULD BE SEEN... BUT THE HUMANS DIDN'T LIKE THEM AT ALL! THEY SCREAMED AND CARRIED ON SOMETHING AWFUL!
THIS ISN'T ANOTHER PLANET!
THIS IS... THIS IS...
WE STOPPED THEIR SCREAMS AND PANIC... STOPPED THEM WITH OUR SPEARS!
AEEEEEEERAE
SENT THEM HURTLING INTO THE RAGING FIRES, THEIR BODIES TWISTING IN AGONY!
FEEEEEEE
FUNNY THAT THEY SHOULD ACT LIKE THIS! IF THEY DIDN'T EXPECT TO BE TREATED THIS WAY, THEN WHY DID THEY COME HERE ?
IT WAS STRANGE, OF COURSE! YOU SEE ALL THE OTHERS OF OUR "GUESTS" USUALLY WAIT UNTIL AFTER THEY DIE...
...BEFORE THEY COME TO HADES!
THE END
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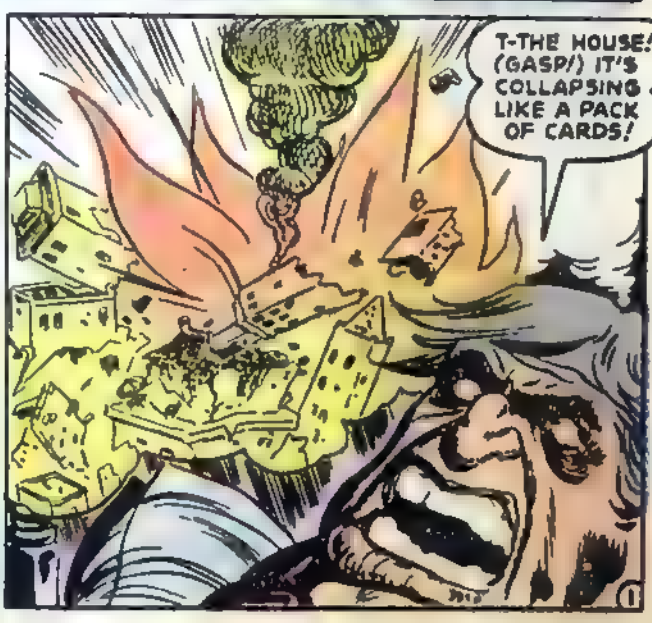

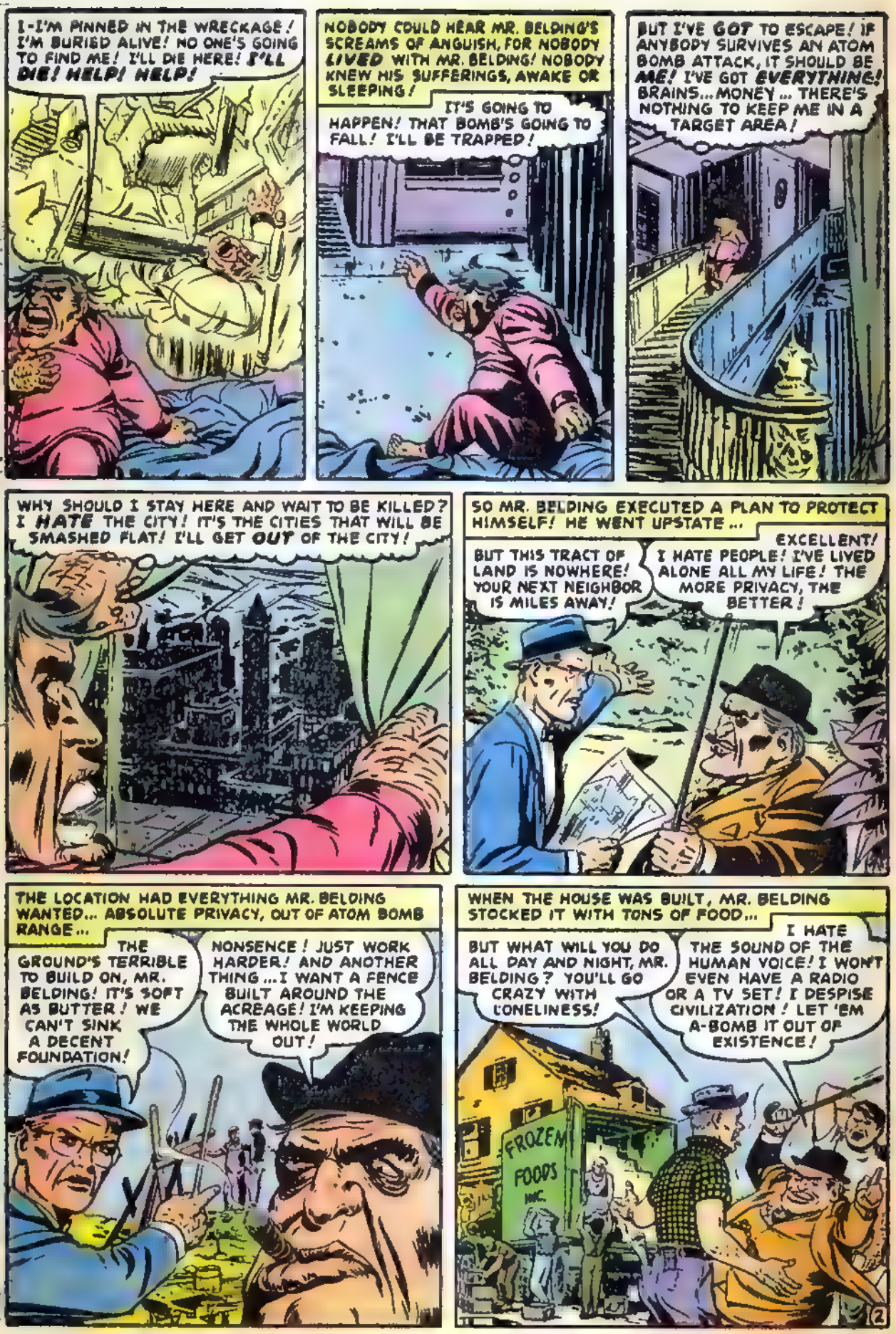
I-I'M PINNED IN THE WRECKAGE! I'M BURIED ALIVE! NO ONE'S GOING TO FIND ME! I'LL DIE HERE! I'LL DIE! HELP! HELP!
NOBODY COULD HEAR MR. BELDING'S SCREAMS OF ANGUISH, FOR NOBODY LIVED WITH MR. BELDING! NOBODY KNEW HIS SUFFERINGS, AWAKE OR SLEEPING!
IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN! THAT BOMB'S GOING TO FALL! I'LL BE TRAPPED!
BUT I'VE GOT TO ESCAPE! IF ANYBODY SURVIVES AN ATOM BOMB ATTACK, IT SHOULD BE ME! I'VE GOT EVERYTHING! BRAINS... MONEY... THERE'S NOTHING TO KEEP ME IN A TARGET AREA!
WHY SHOULD I STAY HERE AND WAIT TO BE KILLED? I HATE THE CITY! IT'S THE CITIES THAT WILL BE SMASHED FLAT! I'LL GET OUT OF THE CITY!
SO MR. BELDING EXECUTED A PLAN TO PROTECT HIMSELF! HE WENT UPSTATE...
BUT THIS TRACT OF LAND IS NOWHERE! YOUR NEXT NEIGHBOR IS MILES AWAY!
EXCELLENT! I HATE PEOPLE! I'VE LIVED ALONE ALL MY LIFE! THE MORE PRIVACY, THE BETTER!
THE LOCATION HAD EVERYTHING MR. BELDING WANTED... ABSOLUTE PRIVACY, OUT OF ATOM BOMB RANGE...
THE GROUND'S TERRIBLE TO BUILD ON, MR. BELDING! IT'S SOFT AS BUTTER! WE CAN'T SINK A DECENT FOUNDATION!
NONSENCE! JUST WORK HARDER! AND ANOTHER THING...I WANT A FENCE BUILT AROUND THE ACREAGE! I'M KEEPING THE WHOLE WORLD OUT!
WHEN THE HOUSE WAS BUILT, MR. BELDING STOCKED IT WITH TONS OF FOOD...
BUT WHAT WILL YOU DO ALL DAY AND NIGHT, MR. BELDING? YOU'LL GO CRAZY WITH LONELINESS!
I HATE THE SOUND OF THE HUMAN VOICE! I WON'T EVEN HAVE A RADIO OR A TV SET! I DESPISE CIVILIZATION! LET 'EM A-BOMB IT OUT OF EXISTENCE!
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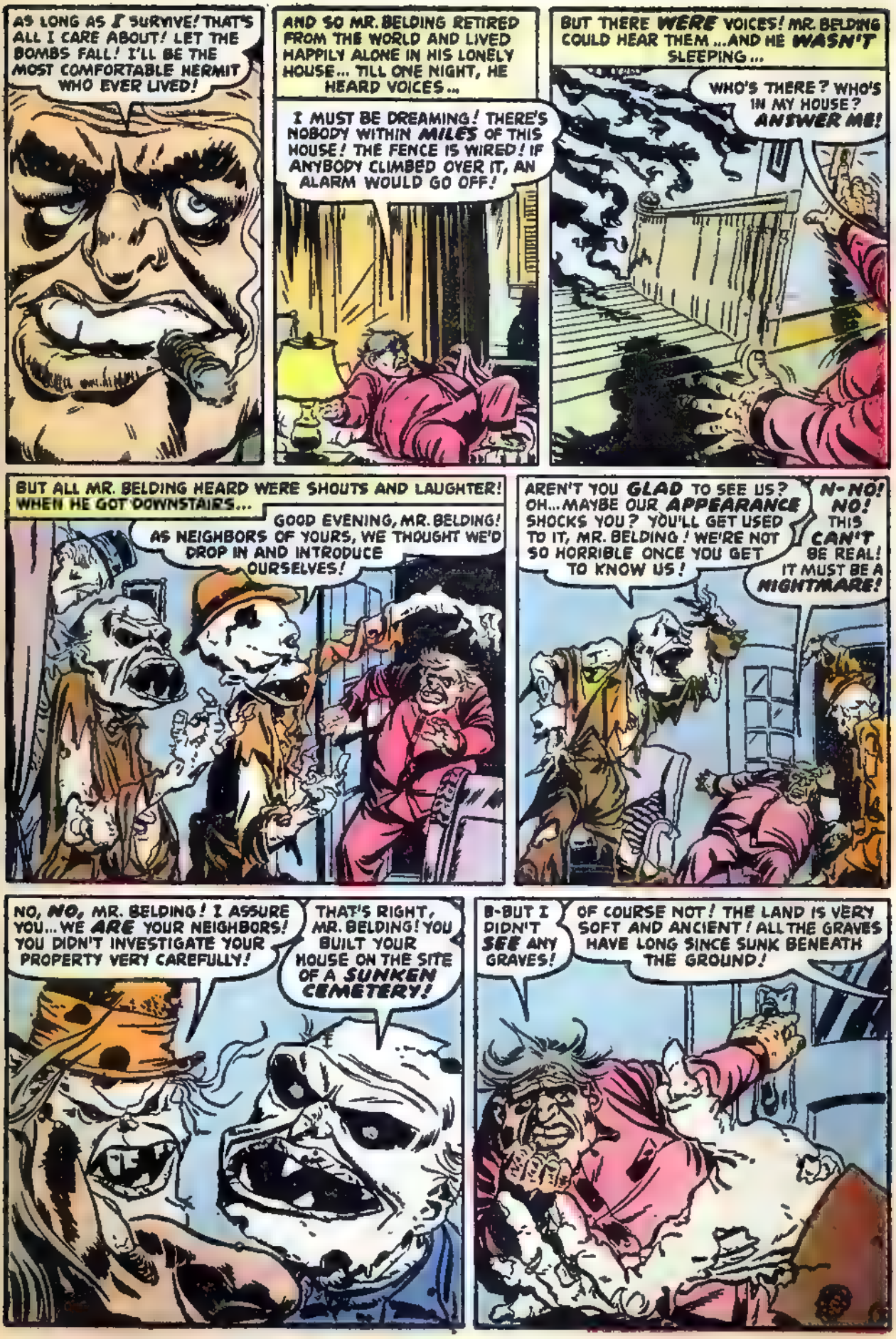
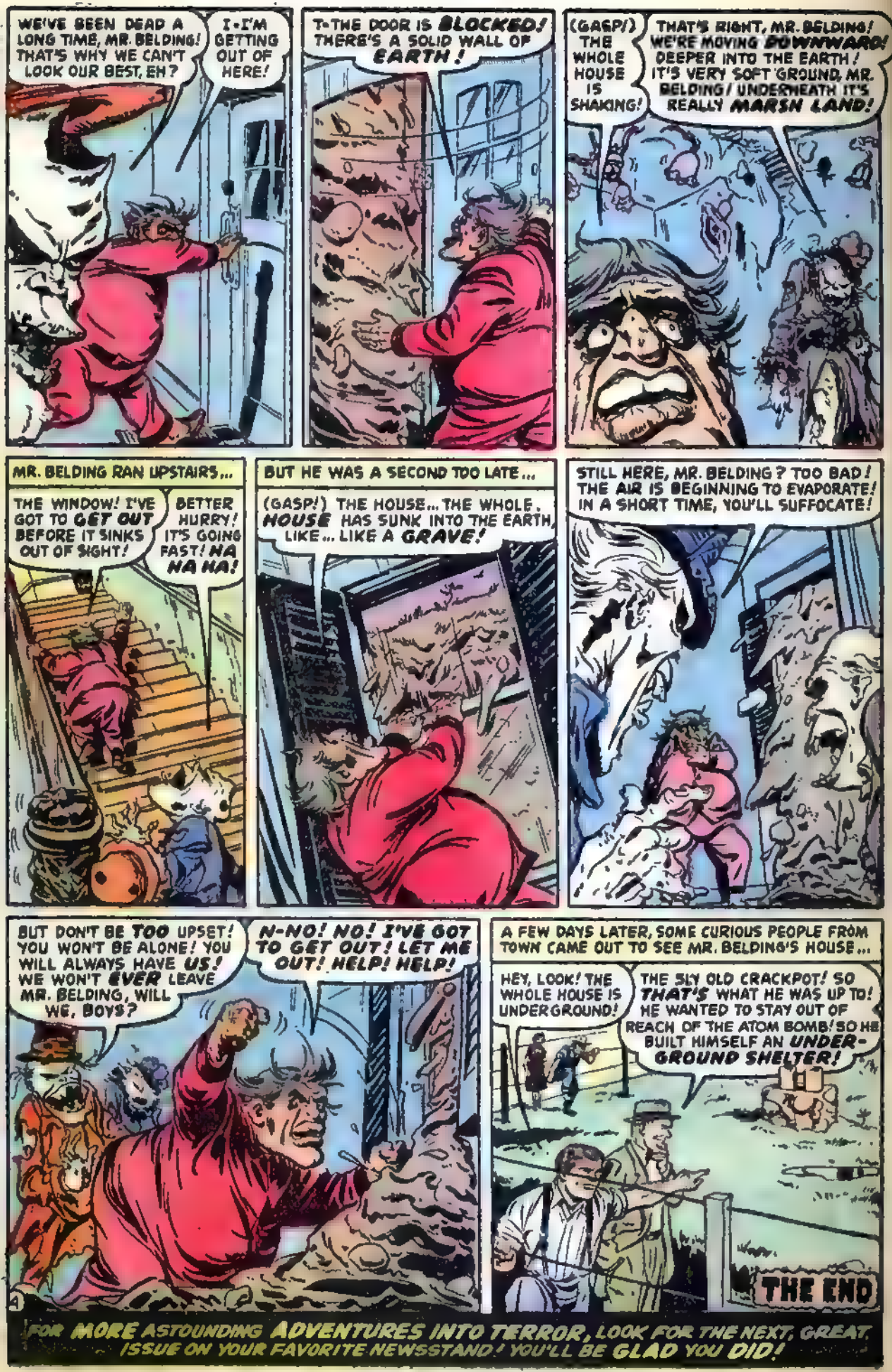

AS LONG AS I SURVIVE! THAT'S ALL I CARE ABOUT! LET THE BOMBS FALL! I'LL BE THE MOST COMFORTABLE HERMIT WHO EVER LIVED!
AND SO MR. BELDING RETIRED FROM THE WORLD AND LIVED HAPPILY ALONE IN HIS LONELY HOUSE... TILL ONE NIGHT, HE HEARD VOICES...
I MUST BE DREAMING! THERE'S NOBODY WITHIN MILES OF THIS HOUSE! THE FENCE IS WIRED! IF ANYBODY CLIMBED OVER IT, AN ALARM WOULD GO OFF!
BUT THERE WERE VOICES! MR. BELDING COULD HEAR THEM ...AND HE WASN'T SLEEPING...
WHO'S THERE? WHO'S IN MY HOUSE? ANSWER ME!
BUT ALL MR. BELDING HEARD WERE SHOUTS AND LAUGHTER! WHEN HE GOT DOWNSTAIRS...
GOOD EVENING, MR. BELDING! AS NEIGHBORS OF YOURS, WE THOUGHT WE'D DROP IN AND INTRODUCE OURSELVES!
AREN'T YOU GLAD TO SEE US? OH...MAYBE OUR APPEARANCE SHOCKS YOU? YOU'LL GET USED TO IT, MR. BELDING! WE'RE NOT SO HORRIBLE ONCE YOU GET TO KNOW US!
N-NO! NO! THIS CAN'T BE REAL! IT MUST BE A NIGHTMARE!
NO, NO, MR. BELDING! I ASSURE YOU...WE ARE YOUR NEIGHBORS! YOU DIDN'T INVESTIGATE YOUR PROPERTY VERY CAREFULLY!
THAT'S RIGHT, MR. BELDING! YOU BUILT YOUR HOUSE ON THE SITE OF A SUNKEN CEMETERY!
B-BUT I DIDN'T SEE ANY GRAVES!
OF COURSE NOT! THE LAND IS VERY SOFT AND ANCIENT! ALL THE GRAVES HAVE LONG SINCE SUNK BENEATH THE GROUND!


WE'VE BEEN DEAD A LONG TIME, MR. BELDING! THAT'S WHY WE CAN'T LOOK OUR BEST, EH?
I-I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE!
T-THE DOOR IS BLOCKED! THERE'S A SOLID WALL OF EARTH!
(GASP!) THE WHOLE HOUSE IS SHAKING!
THAT'S RIGHT, MR. BELDING! WE'RE MOVING DOWNWARD! DEEPER INTO THE EARTH! IT'S VERY SOFT GROUND, MR. BELDING! UNDERNEATH IT'S REALLY MARSH LAND!
MR. BELDING RAN UPSTAIRS...
THE WINDOW! I'VE GOT TO GET OUT BEFORE IT SINKS OUT OF SIGHT!
BETTER HURRY! IT'S GOING FAST! HA HA HA!
BUT HE WAS A SECOND TOO LATE...
(GASP!) THE HOUSE... THE WHOLE HOUSE HAS SUNK INTO THE EARTH, LIKE... LIKE A GRAVE!
STILL HERE, MR. BELDING? TOO BAD! THE AIR IS BEGINNING TO EVAPORATE! IN A SHORT TIME, YOU'LL SUFFOCATE!
BUT DON'T BE TOO UPSET! YOU WON'T BE ALONE! YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE US! WE WON'T EVER LEAVE MR. BELDING, WILL WE, BOYS?
N-NO! NO! I'VE GOT TO GET OUT! LET ME OUT! HELP! HELP!
A FEW DAYS LATER, SOME CURIOUS PEOPLE FROM TOWN CAME OUT TO SEE MR. BELDING'S HOUSE...
HEY, LOOK! THE WHOLE HOUSE IS UNDERGROUND!
THE SLY OLD CRACKPOT! SO THAT'S WHAT HE WAS UP TO! HE WANTED TO STAY OUT OF REACH OF THE ATOM BOMB! SO HE BUILT HIMSELF AN UNDERGROUND SHELTER!
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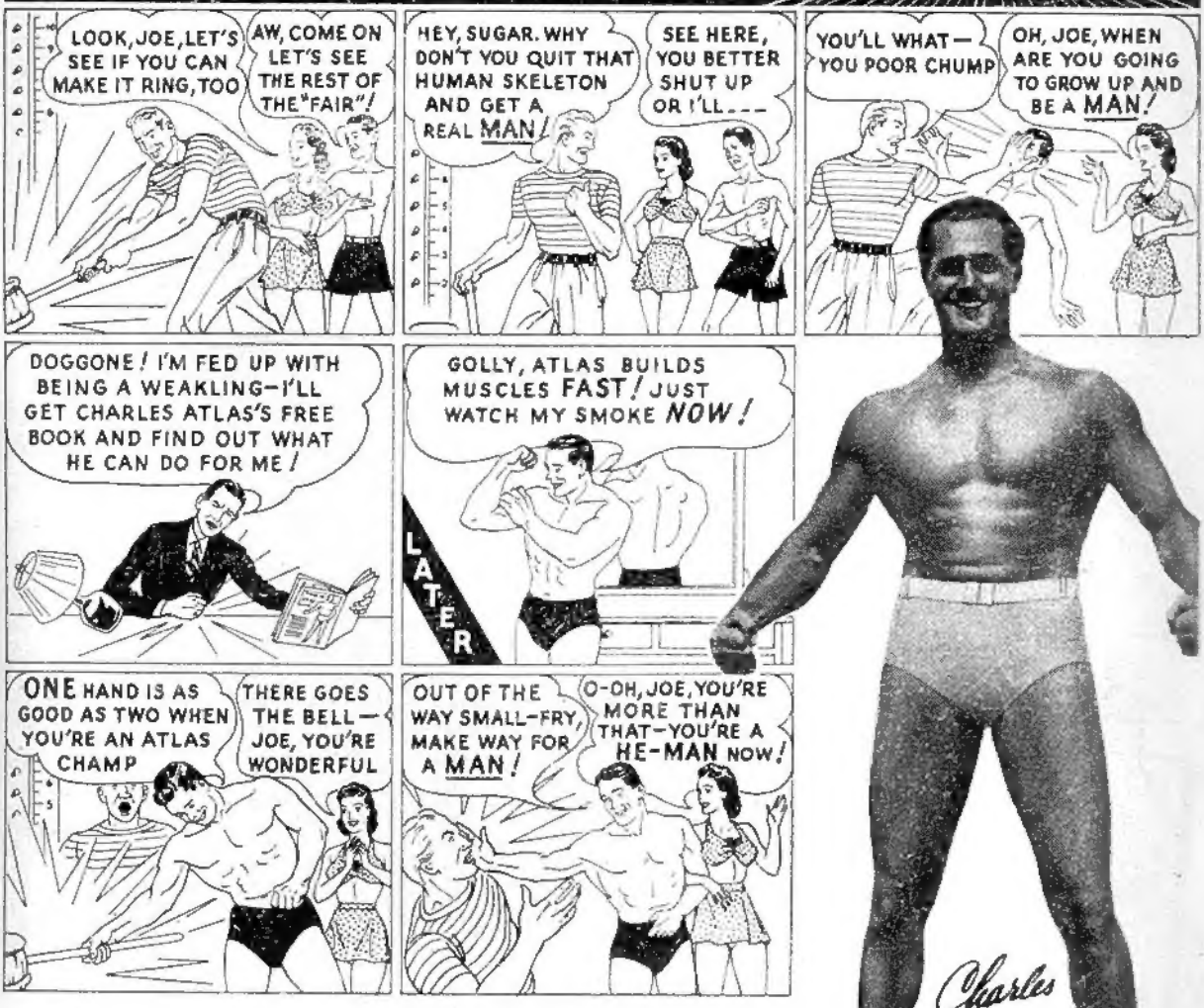
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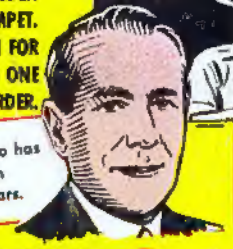

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